

Ottawa St. Gabriel Catholic School

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Dear Families.

Welcome to our **Double Lunch Day** Initiative. St. Gabriel has joined together as a community to help those less fortunate. We are coming together to help The Ottawa Mission by providing lunches for their back-to-work and back-to-school programs. Our school has committed to bring in a second lunch on **Thursday, May 5**. These lunches not only help many valuable members of our society, but they also lessen the load of The Ottawa Mission.

How can you participate?

The third and last Double Lunch Day for St. Gabriel school will be on Thursday, May 5, and we ask that you send your child to school with an additional lunch. The lunches can have perishable and non-perishable items. We ask that they are healthy lunches and that they be packed in a bag that will travel to The Ottawa Mission (brown bag, Ziploc bag, etc.). Feel free to include a thoughtful, spiritual message and/or a hand drawn picture that will be collected separately and sent in their own special container. The lunches will be transported to The Ottawa Mission after the children enter the school. Upon their arrival at The Mission, the lunches will be distributed to the various programs in need. Please see their website for further information http://www.ottawamission.com/

The Mission has asked for a few special requests and additional items they need:

- -please do **not** include mayo on the sandwiches
- -Toiletry items (toothbrushes, toothpaste, comb, brush, dental floss, deodorant, soap)
- -gently used towels

Your support in this initiative is truly appreciated by the patrons of The Ottawa Mission. The staff also sends their thanks. If you have any questions about the **Double Lunch Days** please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Lisa Brennen/Christine Maidment (St. Gabriel)

Our Mission Statement (The Ottawa Mission)

The Ottawa Mission reflects Jesus' love in serving the homeless, the hungry and the lost by providing food, clothing shelter and skills, and offers faith and hope for building a wholesome life.